

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

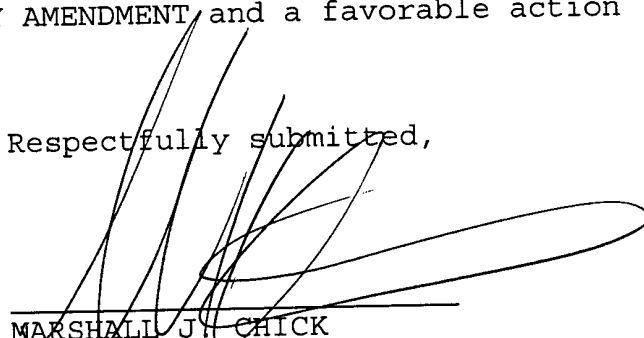
The parent application is allowed. This Divisional Application is directed to the non-elected subject matter from the parent application.

An English translation of the Japanese priority application, with a Statement of Accuracy of Translation was filed in the allowed parent application hereof to perfect the claim to priority. A copy is enclosed herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

Entry of this PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT and a favorable action on the merits are requested.

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